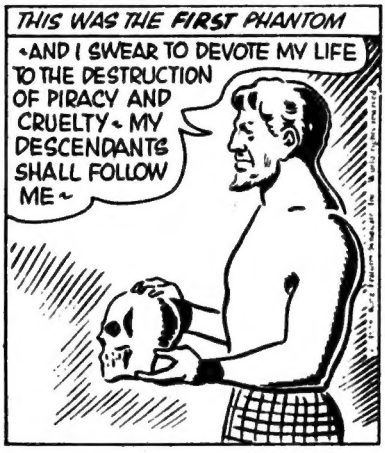
FOR THOSE WHO CAME IN LATE:
400 YEARS AGO THE SOLE SURVIVOR OF A PIRATE RAID WAS WASHED UP ON A BENGALI BEACH~


THIS WAS THE FIRST PHANTOM
~AND I SWEAR TO DEVOTE MY LIFE TO THE DESTRUCTION OF PIRACY AND CRUELTY~ MY DESCENDANTS SHALL FOLLOW ME~

GENERATIONS FOLLOW. THE PHANTOM LINE CONTINUES~ NATIVES THINK HIM THE SAME MAN
THE PHANTOM~ THE GHOST WHO WALKS~
CAN NEVER DIE~

THE SCOURGE OF EVILDOERS BY LAND OR SEA~ THE PHANTOM
WILSON McCOY 5-5
TOMORROW: THE TWO SIGNS

ALL THE WORLD KNOWS THE SIGN OF THE SKULL, THE MARK OF THE PHANTOM~

DELIVERED BY THE HARD RIGHT FIST OF THE PHANTOM TO EVILDOERS~

LESS KNOWN IS THE 'GOOD MARK' OF THE PHANTOM, DELIVERED GENTLY BY HIS LEFT FIST (CLOSER TO THE HEART)
WILSON McCOY 5-6

THE LUCKY FEW WHO RECEIVE THIS MARK GET THE PROTECTION OF THE PHANTOM FOR LIFE!
TOMORROW: TALE OF THE 'GOOD MARK'

100 YEARS AGO AS THE PHANTOM (GREAT-GREAT GRANDFATHER OF OUR PHANTOM) RIDES IN THE JUNGLE~

HE FIGHTS BRAVELY~ AND FINALLY WINS~
WILSON McCOY 5-7

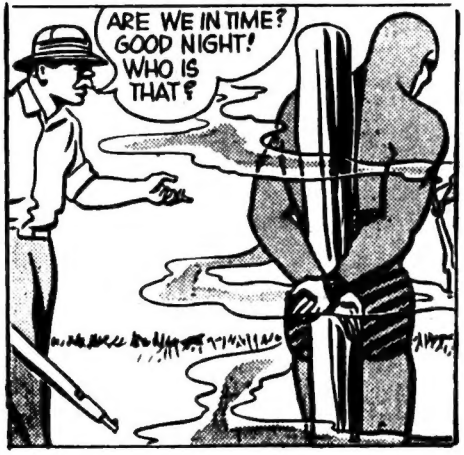
~~ BUT THE BATTLE ALMOST FINISHES HIM ~

HE IS FOUND BY SOME JUNGLE CRIMINALS WHO HATE HIM

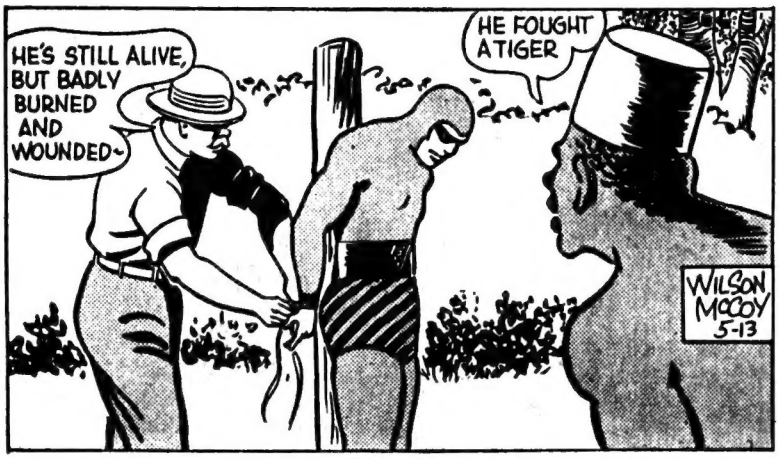
100 YEARS AGO THE JUNGLE CRIMINALS APPROACH THE PHANTOM CAREFULLY (OUR PHANTOM'S ANCESTOR)
TWO HE'S UNCONSCIOUS, THEY'RE AFRAID TO TOUCH HIM AT FIRST~ THEN THEY DRAG HIM OFF~~
THEY SEE THEIR CHANCE TO FINISH THEIR PURSUER AND END LAW IN THE JUNGLE.
GHOST WHO WALKS CAN NEVER DIE?
WILSON McCOY 5-8
FIRE KILLS EVEN GHOSTS!
100 YEARS AGO, AS CARLYLE, A FAMED BIG-GAME HUNTER, GOES THRU THE JUNGLE.
STOP!
WHAT IS IT?
JUNGLE BANDITS AHEAD~BAD MEN~ KILLERS!
THEY'RE BURNING A MAN AT THE STAKE! WHO IS HE?
CANNOT SEE FROM HERE. NOT OUR BUSINESS~BETTER GO BEFORE THEY SEE US! WE THREE~THEY TWENTY!
WILSON McCOY 5-9
JUNGLE CRIMINALS BURNING A MAN AT THE STAKE? WHO IS HE?
CANNOT SEE~ BETTER WE GO FAST~THEY TWENTY~WE THREE~
100 YEARS AGO~IN THE JUNGLE~~
WE MUST STOP THEM! WE'LL PRETEND WE'RE MANY! GO TO OTHER SIDE ~START SHOOTING WHEN I SHOOT~
~~AS THE PHANTOM'S ANCESTOR FACES DEATH AT THE STAKE!
WILSON McCOY 5-10

100 YEARS AGO THE JUNGLE RENEGADES ARE ROUTED BY CARLYLE'S GUNFIRE--
SURROUNDED!
RUN!
WILSON McCOY 5-12

STOP THIS FIRE!


ARE WE IN TIME? GOOD NIGHT! WHO IS THAT?

GHOST WHO WALKS! THEY DARED!
PHANTOM!


HE'S STILL ALIVE, BUT BADLY BURNED AND WOUNDED~
HE FOUGHT A TIGER
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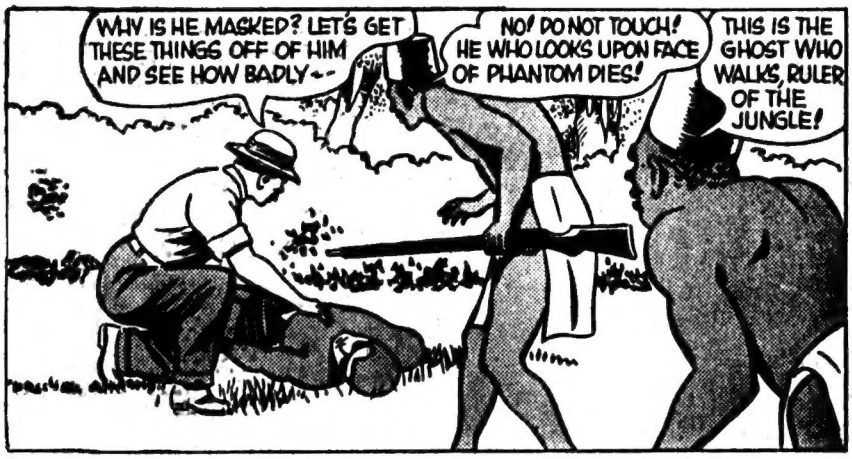
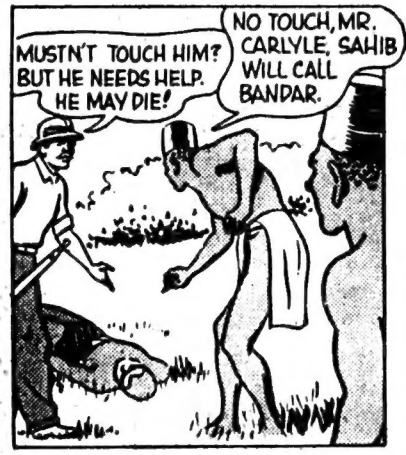

WHY IS HE MASKED? LET'S GET THESE THINGS OFF OF HIM AND SEE HOW BADLY--
NO! DO NOT TOUCH! HE WHO LOOKS UPON FACE OF PHANTOM DIES!
THIS IS THE GHOST WHO WALKS, RULER OF THE JUNGLE!


MUSTN'T TOUCH HIM? BUT HE NEEDS HELP. HE MAY DIE!
NO TOUCH, MR. CARLYLE, SAHIB WILL CALL BANDAR.

PHANTOM HURT NEEDS BANDAR

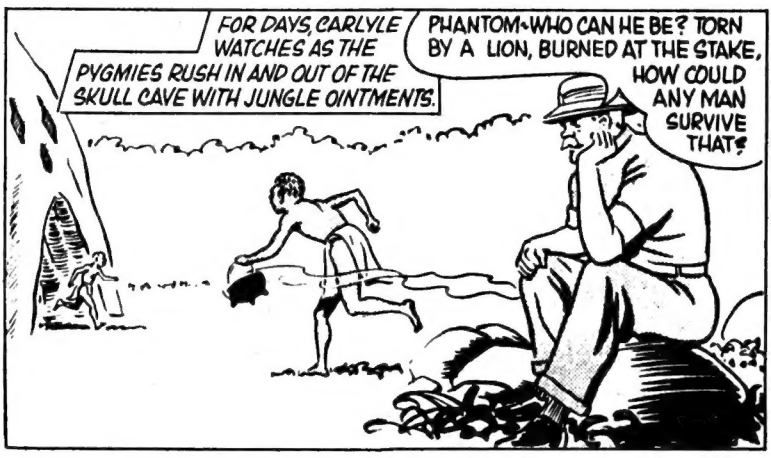
TOM-TOMS PICK UP THE MESSAGE~ OVER VALLEYS AND MOUNTAINS~
TO THE DEEP WOODS, HOME OF THE BANDAR, THE DREADED PYGMY POISON PEOPLE.
PHANTOM HURT NEEDS BANDAR
WILSON McCOY 5-14

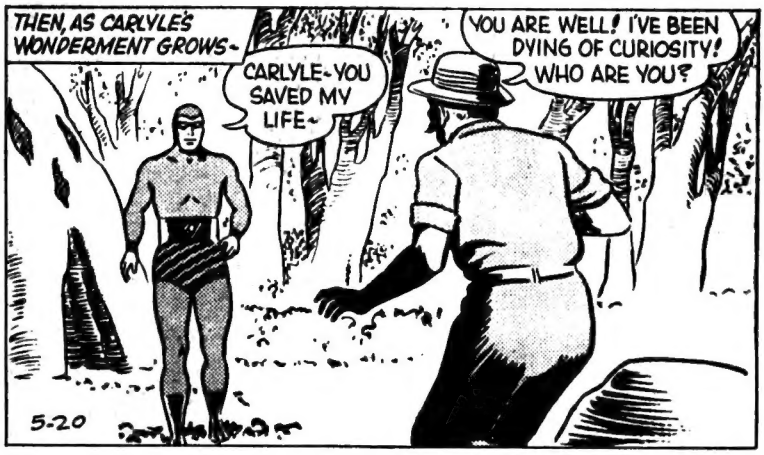
CAN'T TOUCH HIM? THIS IS NONSENSE! IF WE DON'T HELP HIM, HE'LL DIE!
NO TOUCH. BANDAR COME SOON.
WHO ARE THE BANDAR? WHO IS THE PHANTOM? WHAT IS ALL THIS GIBBERISH? WE'VE WAITED LONG ENOUGH --
SUDDENLY, SILENTLY, OUT OF NOWHERE, MOST FEARED OF ALL JUNGLE TRIBES, THE DREADED PYGMY POISON PEOPLE!
WILSON McCOY 5-15
MAKE NO MOVE. THEY HAVE QUICK TEMPER. ONE SCRATCH OF ARROW IS QUICK DEATH!
I (GULP) KNOW! HALF OF THEM ARE LEAVING. WHY?
WILSON McCOY 5-16
TO FIND BAD MEN WHO DID THIS TO PHANTOM.
--TO BRING THEM BACK FOR PUNISHMENT?
NO. POISON PEOPLE NEVER BRING ANYONE BACK.
WILSON McCOY 5-17
HE SAYS YOU MUST COME WITH THEM. WHEN BANDAR SAYS MUST--IS MUST!
TELL HIM I'LL COME.
PHANTOM--GHOST WHO WALKS--PYGMY POISON PEOPLE--WHAT DOES IT ALL MEAN? WHERE ARE WE GOING?
SO, 100 YEARS AGO, THE CONFUSED HUNTER CARLYLE FOLLOWS THE BANDAR AS THEY CARRY THE PHANTOM'S ANCESTOR TO THE DEEP WOODS!

100 YEARS AGO: CARLYLE THE HUNTER FOLLOWS THE PYGMIES INTO THE DEEP WOODS - - -
WILSON McCOY 5-19

- - AND THE MYSTERIOUS SKULL CAVE, HOME OF THE PHANTOM - WHERE THE FAITHFUL PYGMY BANDAR CARRY THE STRICKEN JUNGLE RULER!

AM I DREAMING? WHAT IS ALL THIS?


FOR DAYS, CARLYLE WATCHES AS THE PYGMIES RUSH IN AND OUT OF THE SKULL CAVE WITH JUNGLE OINTMENTS.
PHANTOM - WHO CAN HE BE? TORN BY A LION, BURNED AT THE STAKE, HOW COULD ANY MAN SURVIVE THAT?


THEN, AS CARLYLE'S WONDERMENT GROWS -
CARLYLE - YOU SAVED MY LIFE -
YOU ARE WELL! I'VE BEEN DYING OF CURIOSITY! WHO ARE YOU?
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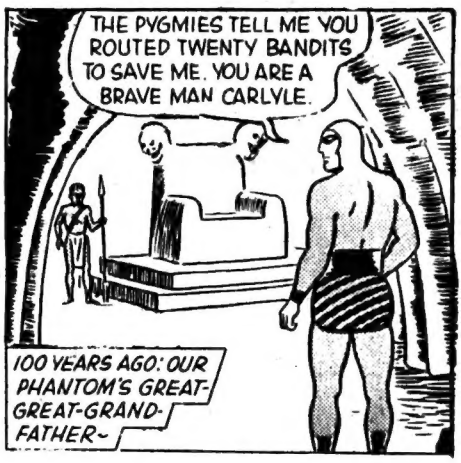
THE PYGMIES TELL ME YOU ROUTED TWENTY BANDITS TO SAVE ME. YOU ARE A BRAVE MAN CARLYLE.
100 YEARS AGO: OUR PHANTOM'S GREAT-GREAT-GRAND-FATHER -

I'VE HEARD SUCH THINGS ABOUT YOU - RULER OF THE JUNGLE - 300 YEARS OLD -

- MAN WHO CANNOT DIE - IF ONE SEES YOUR FACE, ONE DIES - - WHO ARE YOU? WHAT IS TRUE? WHAT IS LEGEND?
5-21

ALL IS TRUE - OF THE PHANTOM. I CAN TELL YOU NO MORE - BUT THERE IS SOMETHING ELSE..
TOMORROW: THE MARK

YOU'VE SAVED MORE THAN YOU KNOW, CARLYLE--THE LINE OF THE PHANTOM.
HOLD OUT YOUR LEFT ARM. I'M GOING TO PUT A MARK ON YOUR WRIST WHICH CANNOT BE REMOVED. YOU'LL WEAR IT ALL YOUR LIFE.
?
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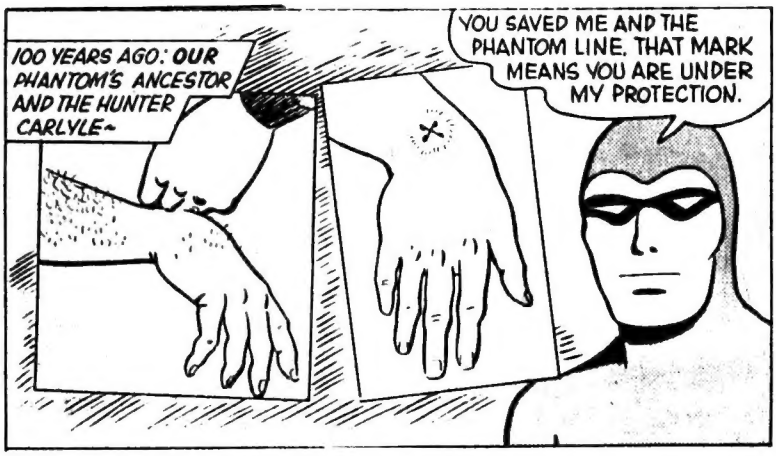
TOMORROW: ABOUT THE MARK.


100 YEARS AGO: OUR PHANTOM'S ANCESTOR AND THE HUNTER CARLYLE~
YOU SAVED ME AND THE PHANTOM LINE. THAT MARK MEANS YOU ARE UNDER MY PROTECTION.

LET YOUR DESCENDANTS WEAR IT. ALL YOUR LIFE, AND THEIRS~ WHEREVER IN TROUBLE OR DANGER~CALL UPON ME~
BY THAT MARK, YOU AND YOUR FAMILY LINE ARE NOW UNDER THE PROTECTION OF THE PHANTOM.
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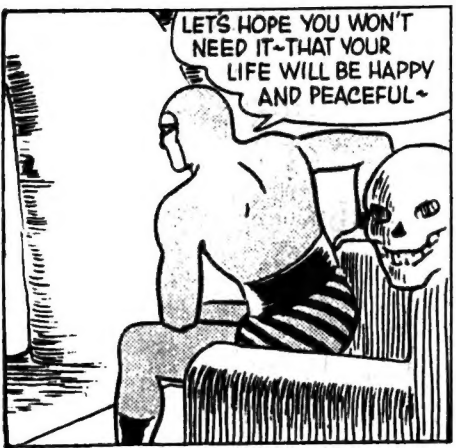
IT WON'T COME OFF! HOW WILL THIS GIVE ME PROTECTION?


LET'S HOPE YOU WON'T NEED IT~THAT YOUR LIFE WILL BE HAPPY AND PEACEFUL~

~BUT IF YOU OR YOUR DESCENDANTS ARE EVER IN DANGER, CALL THE PHANTOM.
HOW~~ CAN WE FIND YOU?

YOU ONLY NEED TO CALL. THE PHANTOM WILL FIND YOU. GOOD-BYE~
CONT'D.

100 YEARS AGO: THE HUNTER CARLYLE LEAVES THE DEEP WOODS, SEEING THE PHANTOM FOR THE LAST TIME~
GOOD-BYE, GOOD LUCK, CARLYLE.
GOOD-BYE
HE DIDN'T TELL ME WHO HE REALLY IS

FOR YEARS, HE BROODS ABOUT HIS STRANGE EXPERIENCE
DID IT REALLY HAPPEN~ OR WAS IT A DREAM?

BUT THERE'S ALWAYS THE MARK-- IT WAS NO DREAM~
PROTECTION OF THE PHANTOM, FOR ME AND MY DESCENDANTS, HE SAID
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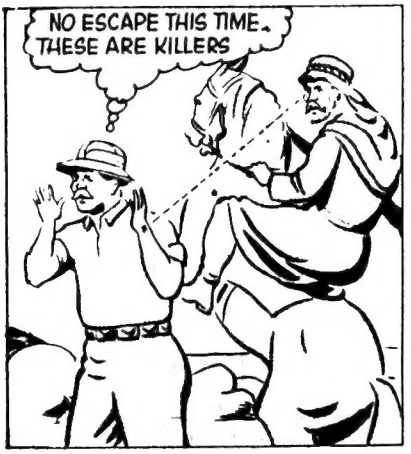
CARLYLE THE HUNTER, BEING AN ADVENTUROUS MAN, MEETS DANGER OFTEN~
SLAVERS, MR. CARLYLE!


NO ESCAPE THIS TIME. THESE ARE KILLERS

BUT TIME AND TIME AGAIN HE ESCAPES~

AM I JUST LUCKY-- OR IS IT ~ THIS MARK?
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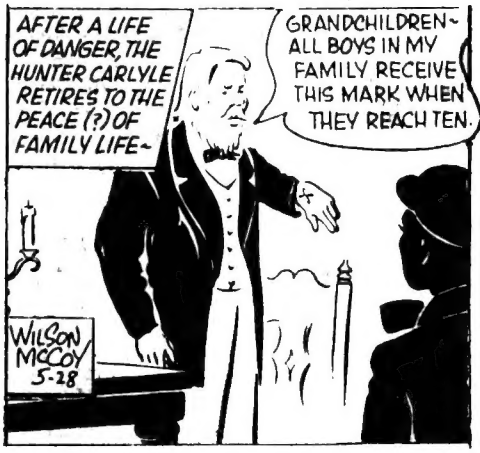
TOMORROW: NOW, GRANDPA~


AFTER A LIFE OF DANGER, THE HUNTER CARLYLE RETIRES TO THE PEACE (?) OF FAMILY LIFE~
GRANDCHILDREN~ ALL BOYS IN MY FAMILY RECEIVE THIS MARK WHEN THEY REACH TEN.
WILSON McCOY 5-28

WILL IT HURT?
AW-GRANDPA-- IT'S SILLY~

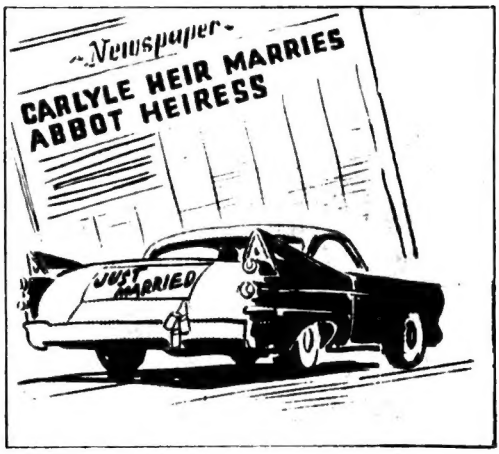
SEE, IT DIDN'T HURT IT IS THE PHANTOM MARK. IF YOU EVER NEED HELP, CALL 'PHANTOM'.

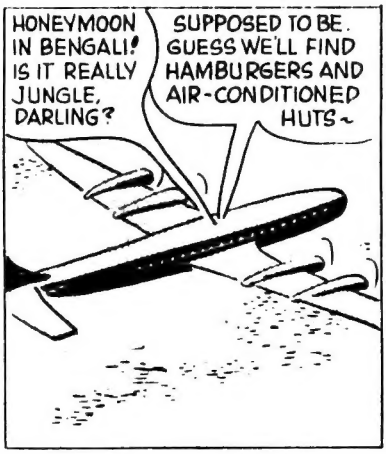
MOTHER~ SUCH SILLY TALK~
HUMOR GRANDPA. HE IS A FINE MAN~ BESIDES, HE IS VERY RICH~
TOMORROW: CARLYLE 1958

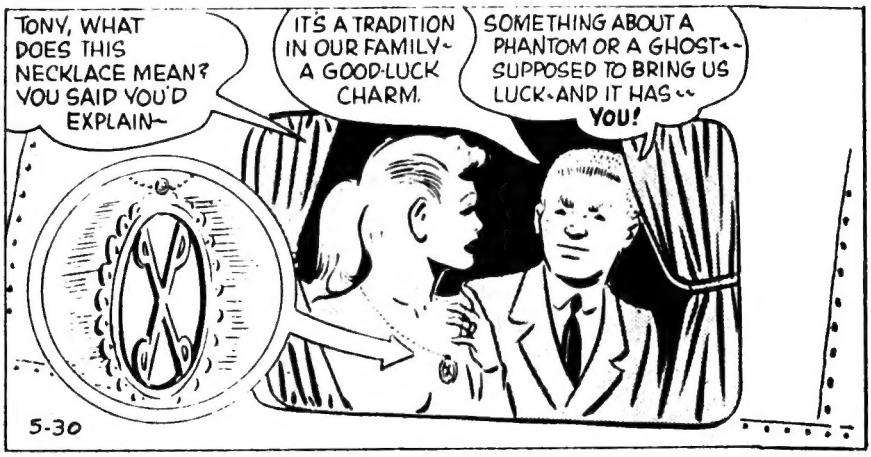
1958: A YOUNG CARLYLE TAKES A BRIDE.
~AND WITH THIS RING, I THEE WED.
WILSON McCOY 5-29

~AND THIS, A CUSTOM IN OUR FAMILY, DEAR.
WHAT IS IT?

SHH ~ TELL YOU LATER.

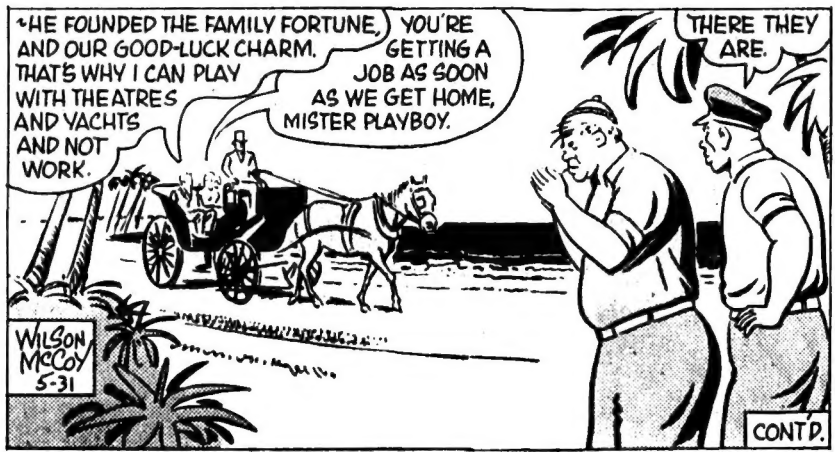

~Newspaper~
CARLYLE HEIR MARRIES ABBOT HEIRESS
JUST MARRIED


HONEYMOON IN BENGAL! IS IT REALLY JUNGLE, DARLING?
SUPPOSED TO BE. GUESS WE'LL FIND HAMBURGERS AND AIR-CONDITIONED HUTS~


TONY, WHAT DOES THIS NECKLACE MEAN? YOU SAID YOU'D EXPLAIN~
IT'S A TRADITION IN OUR FAMILY~ A GOOD-LUCK CHARM.
SOMETHING ABOUT A PHANTOM OR A GHOST~~ SUPPOSED TO BRING US LUCK~AND IT HAS~~ YOU!
5-30

IS THIS JUNGLE? LOOKS LIKE EVERY OTHER AIRPORT.
JUNGLE'S ABOUT 50 MILES AWAY~

WHY HERE FOR OUR HONEY-MOON, TONY?
FAMILY TRADITION~~ ALL CARLYLES COME HERE. MY GREAT-GREAT GRANDFATHER WAS A HUNTER HERE~


~HE FOUNDED THE FAMILY FORTUNE, AND OUR GOOD-LUCK CHARM. THAT'S WHY I CAN PLAY WITH THEATRES AND YACHTS AND NOT WORK.
YOU'RE GETTING A JOB AS SOON AS WE GET HOME, MISTER PLAYBOY.
THERE THEY ARE.
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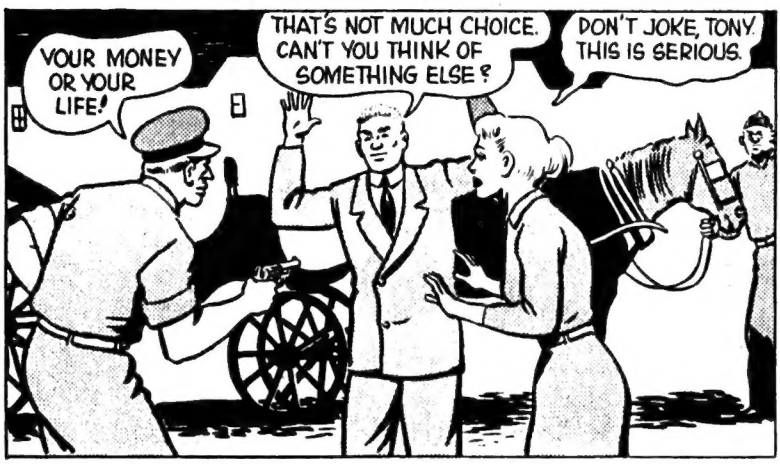

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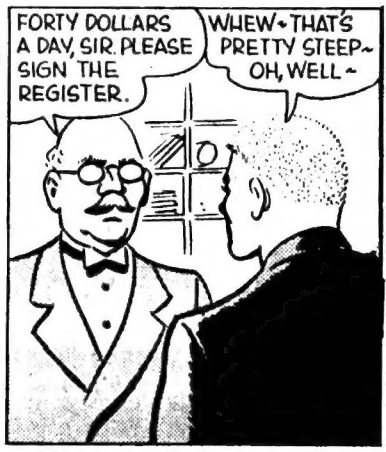
WE WERE STOPPED BY ROBBERS~WHEN THEY HEARD YOUR WHISTLE~THEY RAN THAT WAY.

NO DRIVER. I'LL TAKE OVER, DARLING. GET IN. WE'LL GO TO THE HOTEL IN STYLE.

TONY, THEY RAN **BEFORE** THEY HEARD THE POLICEMAN'S WHISTLE~ THEY SAW THIS GOOD-LUCK CHARM.

DON'T GIVE IT TOO MUCH CREDIT, DEAR.
WILSON McCOY 6-5

SORRY ABOUT YOUR TROUBLE, MR. CARLYLE, FIRST DAY IN BENGALI. NOT USUAL.
HOW MUCH ARE YOUR SUITES?

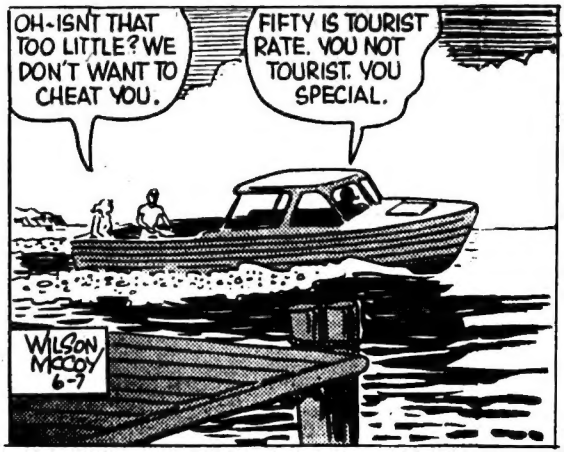

FORTY DOLLARS A DAY, SIR. PLEASE SIGN THE REGISTER.
WHEW~THAT'S PRETTY STEEP~ OH, WELL~

ER~WE CAN GIVE YOU OUR SPECIAL RATE~FIFTEEN DOLLARS A DAY~ HONEYMOONERS' SPECIAL
?
HOW COULD YOU TELL?
WILSON McCOY 6-6

WE WANT TO DO SOME DEEP-SEA FISHING.
HMM~RICH TOURISTS
HAVE GOOD BOATS~ FIFTY DOLLARS FOR DAY.

GEE, THAT'S PRETTY EXPENSIVE, ISN'T IT?

GIVE **YOU** SPECIAL RATE~TEN DOLLARS.


OH~ISN'T THAT TOO LITTLE? WE DON'T WANT TO CHEAT YOU.
FIFTY IS TOURIST RATE. YOU NOT TOURIST. YOU SPECIAL.
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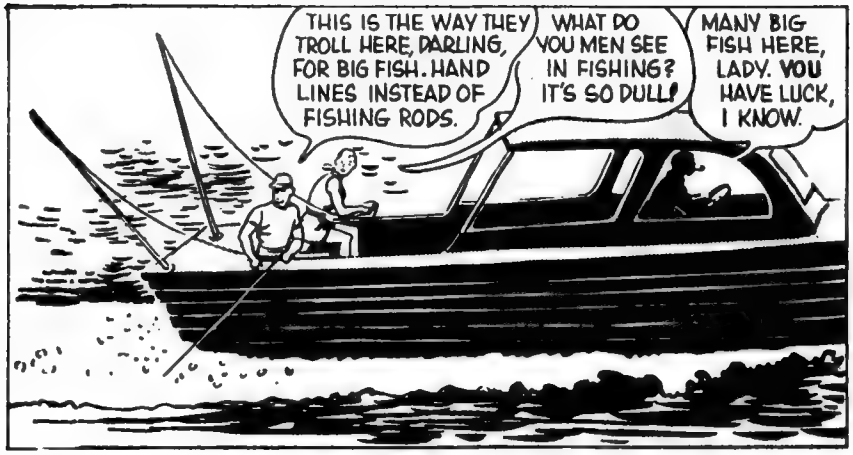
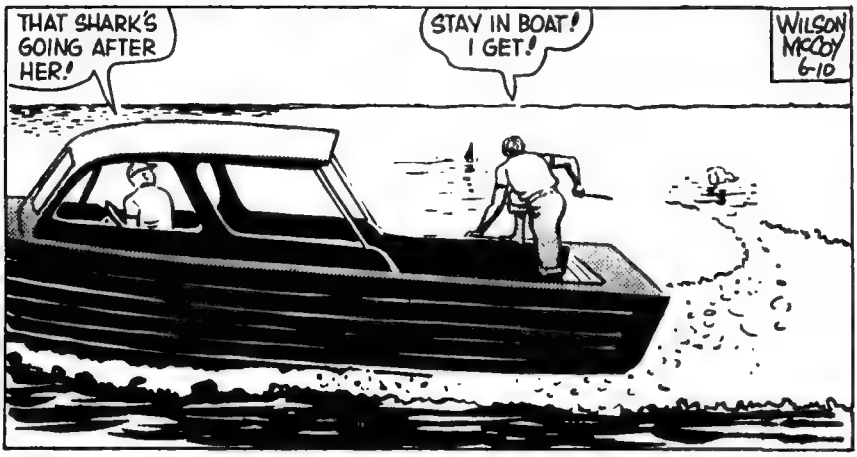

THIS IS THE WAY THEY TROLL HERE, DARLING, FOR BIG FISH. HAND LINES INSTEAD OF FISHING RODS.
WHAT DO YOU MEN SEE IN FISHING? IT'S SO DULL!
MANY BIG FISH HERE, LADY. YOU HAVE LUCK, I KNOW.

AND SHARKS, TOO. LOOK AT THAT FIN, A BIG ONE!

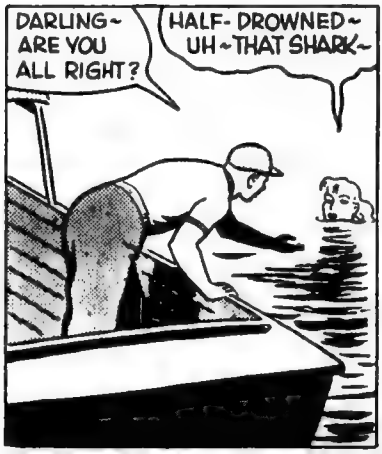
SHARKS! I'M LOSING INTEREST RAPIDLY~ OOP~
WILSON McCOY 6-9

CONNIE! SOMETHING BIG PULLED HER IN~A SHARK!
EEEEEE!

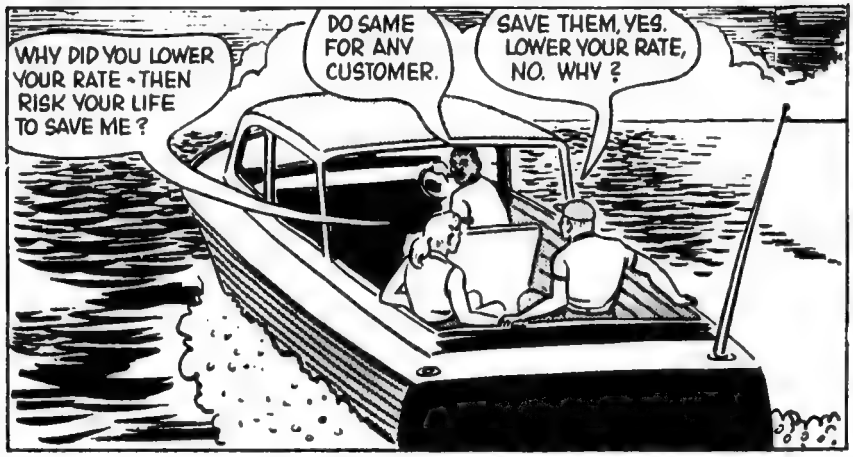
NO~ YOU STAY~TAKE WHEEL! I GO SAVE HER!


THAT SHARK'S GOING AFTER HER!
STAY IN BOAT! I GET!
WILSON McCOY 6-10

S~SHARK~~ (SPUTTER-GASP) SHARK!


DARLING~ ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
HALF- DROWNED~ UH~THAT SHARK~

NO HARM CAN COME TO ONE WHO WEARS THAT~
WILSON McCOY 6-11


WHY DID YOU LOWER YOUR RATE - THEN RISK YOUR LIFE TO SAVE ME ?
DO SAME FOR ANY CUSTOMER.
SAVE THEM, YES. LOWER YOUR RATE, NO. WHY ?

NO HARM MUST COME TO ONE WHO WEARS THAT
WHY? WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

YOU KNOW NOT? THEN IT IS NOT FOR ME TO SAY.
WILSON McCOY 6-12
? ?

WE WANT TO SEE A COLONEL WEEKS ABOUT OUR SAFARI INTO THE JUNGLE.

I'VE HEARD ABOUT YOU CARLYLES - STOPPED BY THUGS - FIGHTING SHARKS - QUITE A HONEY-MOON.
NOT A DULL MOMENT, COLONEL.

WE WANT SOME BIG-GAME HUNTING INTO THE INTERIOR. I WANT A SAFARI -
HMM, BETTER FORGET THAT. THE OMGALI HEADHUNTERS ARE ON A RAMPAGE. I DON'T THINK THEY'LL MAKE ANY ALLOWANCES FOR HONEYMOONERS.
WILSON McCOY 6-13

THE JUNGLE PATROL CANNOT LICENSE A SAFARI AT THIS TIME. PRIVATELY, I SAY, FORGET IT.
HEADHUNTERS IN THIS DAY AND AGE?

SOUNDS LIKE NONSENSE.
PARDON ME - THAT MARK ON YOUR WRIST - WHERE DID YOU GET IT?

AN OLD FAMILY GOOD-LUCK CHARM. WHY?
IT RINGS A BELL - CAN'T QUITE REMEMBER - EXCUSE ME A MOMENT.
HERE WE GO AGAIN. IF SOMEONE WOULD ONLY TELL US WHAT IT MEANS!
WILSON McCOY 6-14

SECRET ORDERS
For commanding officer only. Keep in safe at all times
Commander Jungle Patrol
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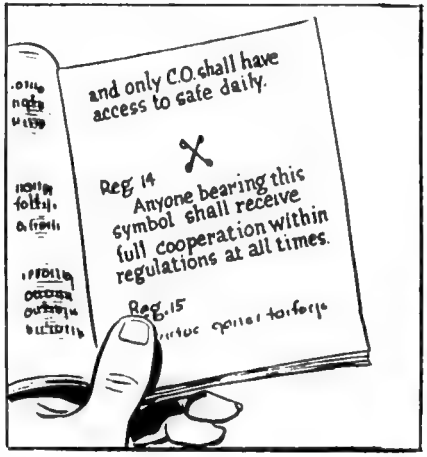
and only C.O. shall have access to safe daily.
Reg. 14
Anyone bearing this symbol shall receive full cooperation within regulations at all times.
Reg. 15

EXCUSE ME, MR. CARLYLE. MAY I SEE YOUR WRIST AGAIN?

IF YOU WANT TO GO INTO THE JUNGLE, WE'LL GIVE YOU FULL COOPERATION.
ER~WHY THE SUDDEN CHANGE OF MIND?

I CAN ONLY TELL YOU, IF YOU WISH TO ENTER THE JUNGLE, WE WILL NOT STOP YOU~
HMM~ AND THOSE HEAD-HUNTERS?

ALL TRUE~HERE'S A PHOTO OF A GROUP OF THEM~ PRETTY FEARSOME-LOOKING CHAPS, EH?
UH!

I SHOWED YOU THE PHOTO BECAUSE YOU OUGHT TO KNOW THAT THE JUNGLE'S NO PLAY-PEN.
WHY NOT RENT A COTTAGE HERE? THERE'S GOOD HUNTING NEARBY~ AND SAFE.
GOOD IDEA. WE WILL!
WILSON McCOY 6-17

HERE'S OUR HONEYMOON COTTAGE~AT THE JUNGLE'S EDGE
COVERED WITH HIBISCUS AND BOUGAINVILLEA INSTEAD OF ROSES. HOW SWEET!

ME PETE, TAKE CARE GARDEN. THIS JULIE, WIFE, COOK FOR YOU.

OUR FIRST HOME. CARRY ME ACROSS THE THRESHOLD!
OKAY~UH~JULIE~ MY BRIDE STARTS A DIET TOMORROW!

WATCH THEM WELL. THEY WEAR THE GOOD MARK OF THE PHANTOM.
I SAW.
WILSON McCOY 6-18

CONNIE, PETE AND I ARE GOING HUNTING.
TONY, COLONEL WEEKS TOLD US ABOUT THE HEADHUNTERS!

WE'RE NOT GOING THAT FAR. WEEKS SAID THERE WAS GOOD HUNTING NEAR HERE.

I'LL BRING YOU A LION FOR LUNCH. IF IT LOOKS OKAY, YOU CAN COME ALONG TOMORROW.

GOOD-LUCK CHARM, WHATEVER YOU ARE, BRING HIM BACK SAFELY PLEASE~
WILSON McCOY 6-19
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HOW FAR ARE THE OMGALI HEAD-HUNTERS, PETE?
TWO DAYS' MARCH. FAR AWAY, SAHIB CARLYLE

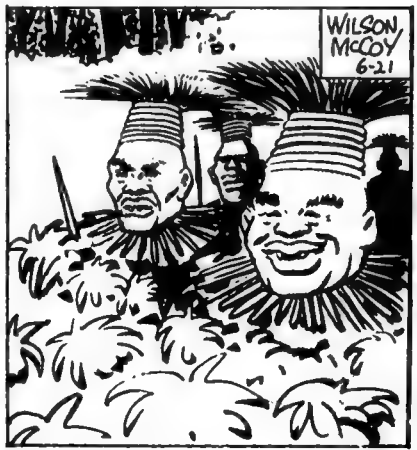
LOOK AT THAT BIG BUCK! COME ON, PETE! AFTER HIM!
WILSON McCOY 6-20

AN OMGALI HUNTING PARTY HAS STRAYED FAR FROM ITS HOME GROUNDS~

COME ON, PETE! THAT BIG BUCK'S TIRING! WE'LL HAVE HIM SOON!
WE GO TOO FAR, SAHIB!

YOU SAID THE HEADHUNTERS WERE TWO DAYS FROM HERE!
TWO DAYS~~ON FOOT. WE HAVE RIDDEN FAST!

NOT THAT FAR!~A FEW MORE MINUTES AND WE'LL HAVE THAT BUCK! I PROMISED CONNIE GAME FOR LUNCH!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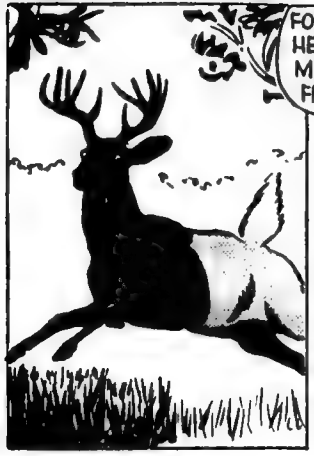
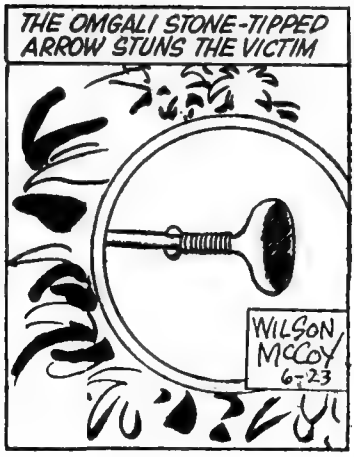


FORGET ABOUT OMGALI HEADHUNTERS - ANOTHER MINUTE AND WE'LL HAVE FRESH VENISON!
TOO FAR - TOO FAR INTO JUNGLE!

THE OMGALI WATCH AS THE HUNTERS NEAR THEM.


THE OMGALI STONE-TIPPED ARROW STUNS THE VICTIM
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PETE - WHAT HAPPENED?

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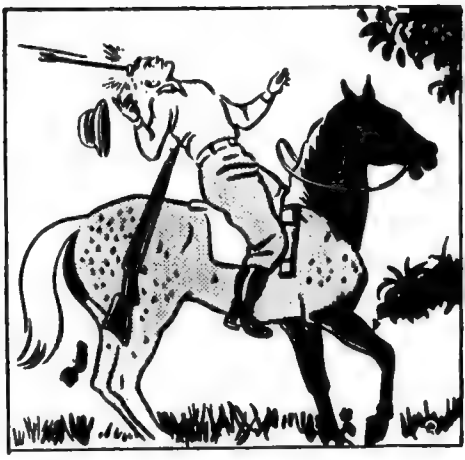
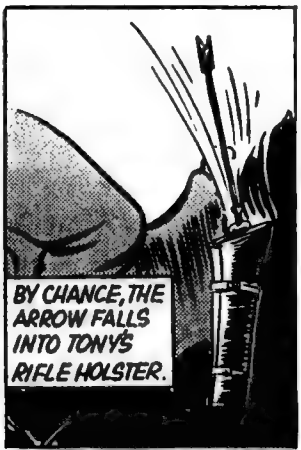
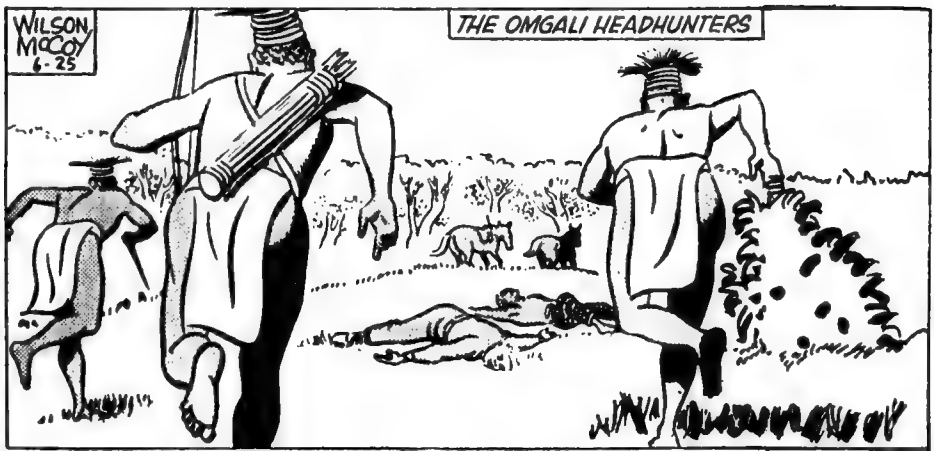



BY CHANCE, THE ARROW FALLS INTO TONY'S RIFLE HOLSTER.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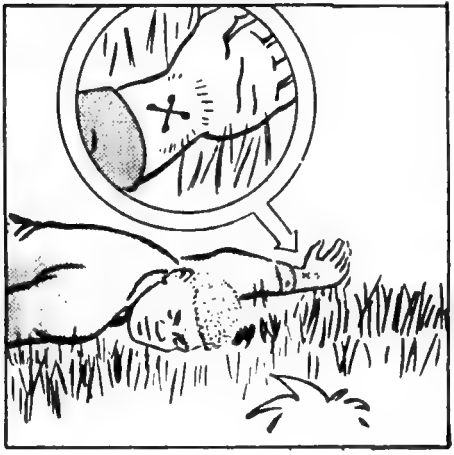
THE OMGALI HEADHUNTERS

THE HORSES!
TOO LATE. WE CAN'T REACH THEM.
FORGET HORSES. TAKE MEN!



WAIT! LOOK!
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THE MARK! HE IS PROTECTED BY PHANTOM.
SO?

THE HEAD-HUNTERS, IT SEEMS, HAVE TWO POLITICAL FACTIONS, PRO AND ANTI-PHANTOM.
WE DO NOT FEAR PHANTOM.
THIS IS DIFFERENT. NEVER HAVE WE FOUND A MAN WITH PHANTOM'S GOOD MARK BEFORE.
WHILE DECIDING, WE'D BETTER TIE THEM. THEY'RE COMING TO
WILSON McCOY 6-27

WHAT HAPPENED, PETE? WHO ARE THEY?
OMGALI.

KILL THEM! MAKE GOOD TROPHIES.
NO, WILL BRING PHANTOM UPON US.

THE HEADHUNTERS! DID THEY KILL OUR HORSES?
NO. HORSES RAN OFF.

MEANWHILE, THEIR MOUNTS RACE BACK TO THE JUNGLE'S EDGE.
WILSON McCOY 6-28

OMGALI HEADHUNTERS. BUT THEY'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO BE IN THIS PART OF THE JUNGLE.
NEITHER ARE WE
I SAY KILL THEM NOW.
NO, HE WEARS PHANTOM MARK.

WHAT ARE THEY ARGUING ABOUT?
WHETHER TO FINISH US OFF OR NOT.

WHAT A FOOL I WAS, IGNORING ALL THE WARNINGS. POOR CONNIE WILL NEVER KNOW.
SHE'LL KNOW WHEN WE'RE FOUND.
WILSON McCOY 6-30

KILL THEM NOW
NO. BRING WRATH OF PHANTOM.
TAKE THEM TO VILLAGE.

WHO (GULP) WON THE ARGUMENT?
NEITHER. WILL LET THEIR CHIEF DECIDE.

WASTE OF TIME.
NO, THIS IS HIGH POLICY. IF WE ARE TO DEFY PHANTOM MARK, ONLY CHIEF CAN DECIDE.
WELL, STILL ALIVE--THAT'S SOMETHING.
NOT LONG-- OMGALI ALWAYS TAKE HEADS.
WILSON McCOY 7-1

I'M WORRIED. IT'S ALMOST DARK- THEY'RE NOT BACK YET. SOMETHING'S HAPPENED. THE UH. HEAD-HUNTERS!

DON'T WORRY, MISS CONNIE. PETE WITH YOUR HUSBAND PETE KNOWS JUNGLE. NOTHING BAD CAN HAPPEN.

WILSON McCOY 7-2

THEY'VE COME A LONG WAY - WHAT COULD HAVE HAPPENED?
MAYBE HORSES RAN OFF WHILE MEN RESTED, MISS CONNIE.

NO, SOMETHING BAD HAPPENED! WE MUST TRY TO FIND THEM AT ONCE.
AT NIGHT! NO, WAIT.

AT LEAST TONY HAS HIS RIFLE WITH HIM - WHAT'S THIS? AN ARROW?

OMGALI HEADHUNTERS!
!
WILSON McCOY 7-3

WHERE'S COLONEL WEEKS?
INSIDE.

IT'S OMGALI ALL RIGHT.
I FOUND IT IN THE RIFLE HOLSTER -- THE HORSES CAME BACK WITHOUT TONY AND PETE.

THEY WENT HUNTING TOWARDS GREEN HILL.
CAPTAIN, SEND A DETACHMENT AT ONCE TOWARDS GREEN HILL. TWO MEN - OMGALI

CARLYLE AND HIS GARDENER - HUNTING - MET OMGALI
WOW! SOUNDS BAD!
WILSON McCOY 7-4

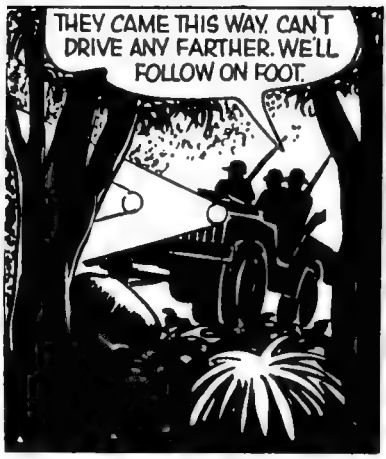
TRY TO RELAX, MRS. CARLYLE. WAIT HERE UNTIL THE JUNGLE PATROL REPORTS BACK.

YOU UNDERSTAND HOW OUR MEN MAY FIND MR. CARLYLE AND YOUR HUSBAND?
I KNOW - OMGALI

WE'RE ALREADY MILES BEYOND OUR BORDER.
WHO CARES? WE'VE GOT TO FIND THOSE GUYS.

WILSON McCOY 7-5

CARLYLE'S HELMET--HAS HIS INITIALS.
ANOTHER OMGALI ARROW. THIS IS THE PLACE, ALL RIGHT.


THEY CAME THIS WAY. CAN'T DRIVE ANY FARTHER. WE'LL FOLLOW ON FOOT.

NO TRAIL, NO TRACE. IT'S LIKE THIS FOR HUNDREDS OF MILES.
NO GOOD GOING ON. TURN BACK.
WILSON McCOY 7-7

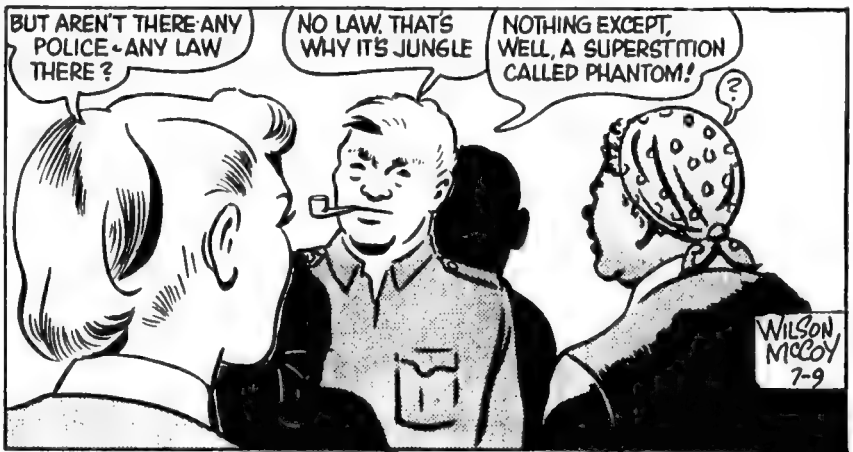
THEY'RE BACK!

DID YOU...?
WE DIDN'T FIND THEM, MRS. CARLYLE. ONLY THIS.

THERE'S ONE HOPE--OMGALI USUALLY DON'T TAKE PRISONERS.
FOR SOME REASON, THEY TOOK YOUR HUSBAND WITH THEM, ALIVE, WE THINK.
YOU MUST SEND MEN AFTER THEM.
UNFORTUNATELY WE CAN'T.
WILSON McCOY 7-8

COL. WEEKS, YOU WON'T SEND HELP FOR MY HUSBAND?
WE CAN'T. I EXPLAINED THAT WHEN YOU WANTED A SAFARI.

THE JUNGLE PATROL HAS AUTHORITY ONLY ON THESE BORDERS. WE'VE NO AUTHORITY BEYOND HERE.


BUT AREN'T THERE ANY POLICE - ANY LAW THERE?
NO LAW. THAT'S WHY IT'S JUNGLE
NOTHING EXCEPT, WELL, A SUPERSTITION CALLED PHANTOM!
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WILSON McCOY 7-9

WE'VE SENT WORD TO FRIENDLY TRIBES TO TELL US IF THEY HEAR ABOUT YOUR MEN. SORRY, WE CAN DO NO MORE.

WE MUST DO SOMETHING.
WHAT? THERES NO ONE TO TURN TO IN THE JUNGLE. NO LAW, NOTHING.

THERE IS ONE. YOU WEAR HIS MARK-- THE PHANTOM!
WILSON McCOY 7-10

THIS NECKLACE? MY HUSBAND GAVE IT TO ME~ SOME KIND OF GOOD-LUCK CHARM.
IS RAREST CHARM IN WHOLE WORLD.

PHANTOM? THE COLONEL SAID THAT WAS ONLY A SUPERSTITION~ A LEGEND.
ALL JUNGLE FOLK KNOW PHANTOM REAL.

PHANTOM~GHOST WHO WALKS~ WILL FIND OUR MEN.
IF THEY ARE ALIVE.

BUT HOW CAN I FIND THIS PHANTOM?
YOU NEED ONLY CALL. HE WILL FIND YOU.
WILSON McCOY 7-11

YOU'RE SURE THIS NECKLACE IS...
SIGN OF PHANTOM~ IT MEANS HE WILL PROTECT YOU!

I WILL GO WITH YOU INTO THE JUNGLE~ NOW.
NOW? IT IS NIGHT!

TOMORROW MAY BE TOO LATE.
UH~HOW DO I CALL HIM, JULIE?

JUST OPEN YOUR MOUTH, MISSUS CONNIE, AND CALL "PHANTOM"!
WILSON McCOY 7-12

JULIE, YOU MEAN I JUST SAY "PHANTOM"?
NOT SAY IT, MISS CONNIE, YELL IT.

IT'S ~ SILLY. THE JUNGLE'S A THOUSAND MILES WIDE ~ HE MIGHT BE ANYWHERE.
HE IS EVERYWHERE ~~ CALL ~~

PHANTOM! PHANTOM!
WILSON McCOY 7-14

NOTHING HAPPENED. HOW DO I KNOW THERE EVEN IS A PHANTOM?
THERE IS ~ CALL AGAIN.

PHANTOM! PHANTOM!

NOW LISTEN!
ALL I HEAR ARE FROGS AND CRICKETS~

PHANTOM ~ PHANTOM
WILSON McCOY 7-15

~ PHANTOM ~

PHANTOM! OH, JULIE, THIS IS RIDICULOUS ~ SHOUTING IN THE WOODS IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT ~ WHO CAN HEAR?

'THE PHANTOM HAS MANY EARS' ~ REMEMBER, YOU WEAR HIS MARK ~
THIS? OH ~ THAT'S ONLY A LITTLE FAMILY CHARM.

WILSON McCOY 7-16

POOR TONY~AND PETE~ HOW CAN I HELP THEM LIKE THIS?~LET'S GO HOME~
SHH~~ LISTEN~

GIRL AT GREEN HILL~ CALLS PHANTOM~ WEARS HIS MARK

A~TOM-TOM~! WHAT IS IT?
CALLS PHANTOM.. WEARS HIS MARK

SHH~IT SAYS~ GIRL AT GREEN HILL CALLS PHANTOM~ WEARS HIS MARK!
WILSON McCOY 7-17

IS THE DRUMMER GOOD OR BAD? WHERE IS HE?
WE'D NEVER FIND HIM IN THE DARK~ LISTEN~

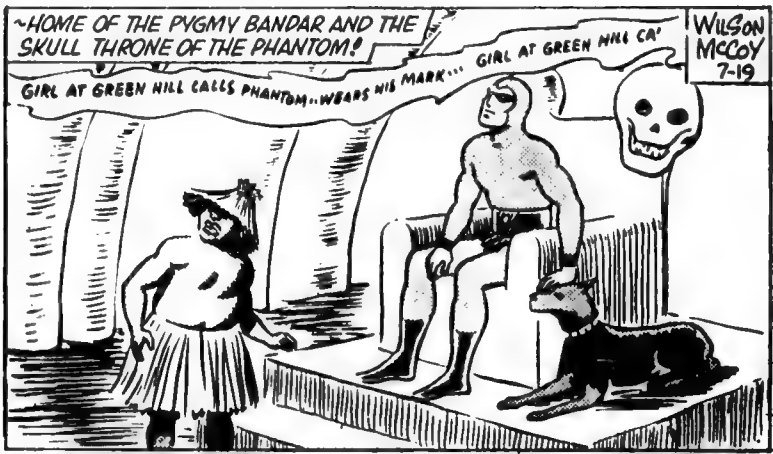
GIRL AT GREEN HILL CALLS

THE MESSAGE GOES FROM TOM-TOM TO TOM-TOM~
... CALLS PHANTOM..WEARS HIS M
GIRL AT GR

~DEEPER, DEEPER INTO THE JUNGLE!
CALLS PHANTOM..WEARS HIS MARK..GREEN HIL
WILSON McCOY 7-18

THE MESSAGE GOES ON AND ON INTO THE JUNGLE~
GIRL AT GREEN HILL..CALLS PHAN

~OVER HILLS AND VALLEYS~~ FROM DRUM TO DRUM~INTO THE DEEP WOODS~
... CALLS PHANTOM... WEARS HIS MARK...


~HOME OF THE PYGMY BANDAR AND THE SKULL THRONE OF THE PHANTOM!
GIRL AT GREEN HILL CALLS PHANTOM..WEARS HIS MARK... GIRL AT GREEN HILL CA'
WILSON McCOY 7-19

WHAT IS YOUR REPLY TO THE MESSAGE, O GHOST WHO WALKS?
BRING HER TO THE DEEP WOODS. SAFELY AND QUICKLY.

SAFELY AND QUIETLY...
NOT QUIETLY. QUICKLY!
OOPS -- I'LL DO THAT OVER.

BRING HER TO DEEP WOODS, SAFELY AND QUIETLY... -- CHANGE -- QUICKLY.
WILSON McCOY 7-21

THE WOODS ARE ALIVE WITH TOM-TOMS. WHAT A RACKET. WHAT DO THEY MEAN?
THEY MEAN YOU.

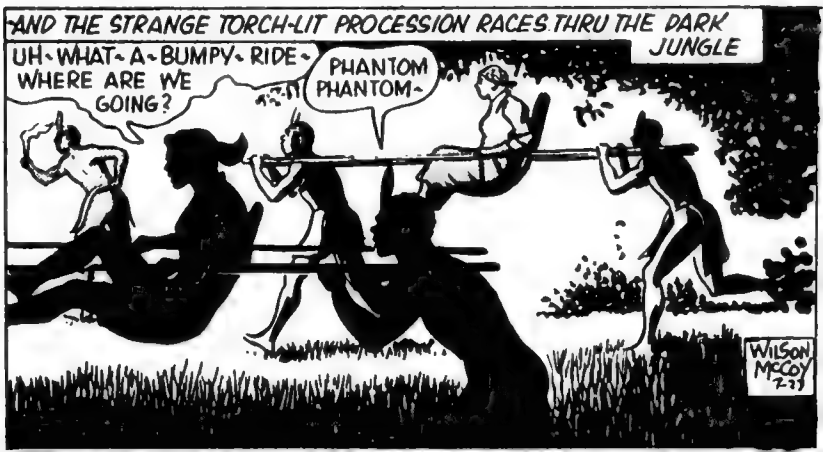
JULIE, WHAT DO WE DO NOW- OH!
A WAMBESI- WARRIOR-

WHAT'S HE WANT?
HE WANTS US TO GO THAT WAY
WILSON McCOY 7-22

IT MAY BE A TRAP- HE MAY BE A CANNIBAL OR THIEF OR --
OH, NO. I DON'T (GULP) THINK SO-

-LOOK! WHO ARE THEY, JULIE?
WAITING FOR US, MISS CONNIE

WHAT'S HE DOING?
BE PLEASED TO SIT UPON. ME LEARN TO SPEAK SCHOOL-SPEAK LOVELY.


-AND THE STRANGE TORCH-LIT PROCESSION RACES THRU THE DARK JUNGLE
UH-WHAT-A-BUMPY-RIDE- WHERE ARE WE GOING?
PHANTOM PHANTOM-
WILSON McCOY 7-23

THE PROCESSION RACES THRU THE DARK JUNGLE PATHS~
UH~I'LL BE~ALL BRUISES~WHY SO FAST?
PHANTOM SAY QUICKLY!

EVERY HALF HOUR THEY STOP~ FRESH BEARERS TAKE OVER THE LITTERS~

UH~OH~LIKE SOME MAD~ DREAM~IT'LL GO ON~~FOREVER~~ AND FOREVER~THEY'LL NEVER~UH~STOP~
WILSON McCOY 7-24

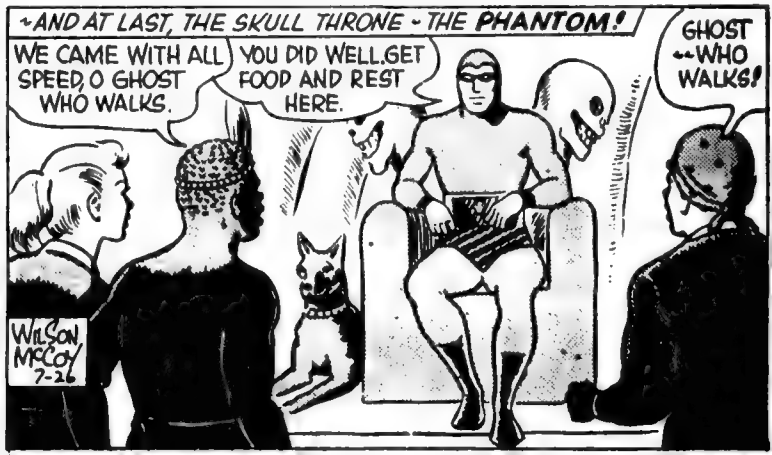
THE NOISY PROCESSION RACES THRU THE JUNGLE~~

EVEN THE GREAT CATS GIVE IT WIDE BERTH AS THE SHOUTING NATIVES PASS~

THEN, NEAR DAWN, A PYGMY, FEARED BY ALL JUNGLE-FOLK, APPEARS~~THEY'VE REACHED THE DEEP WOODS!
THE BANDAR~ PYGMY~POISON PEOPLE!
?
WE COME WITH THE GIRL
WE KNOW~ ENTER.
WILSON McCOY 7-25

~THRU A WATERFALL~
OH, NO~(GASP) THIS IS TOO MUCH~~

~TO THE LEGENDARY SKULL CAVE~~
PLEASE STOP~I CAN'T HANG ON ANY LONGER~UH~ WHAT'S THAT?


~AND AT LAST, THE SKULL THRONE~THE PHANTOM!
WE CAME WITH ALL SPEED, O GHOST WHO WALKS.
YOU DID WELL. GET FOOD AND REST HERE.
GHOST~~WHO WALKS!
WILSON McCOY 7-26

YOU ARE THE PHANTOM?
YOU MUST BE EXHAUSTED.
O GHOST WHO WALKS.
PLEASE STAND. PHANTOM DOES NOT LIKE PEOPLE ON KNEES.

OH - THAT RIDE - I'M BRUISED AND BATTERED ~
I TOLD THEM TO BRING YOU QUICKLY. WHY DID YOU CALL ME?

MY HUSBAND - AND JULIE'S - CAPTURED BY OMGALI HEAD-HUNTERS ~~
WILSON McCOY 7-28

OMGALI ACTING UP? GURAN, LEARN IF ANYONE HAS SEEN AN OMGALI WAR PARTY WITH PRISONERS.
IT WILL BE DONE.

REPORT IF ANY OMBALI ~~
NO. OMGALI
OOPS ~

NOW WE MUST WAIT A FEW HOURS FOR REPORTS - ER - WHERE DID YOU GET THAT?
FROM MY HUSBAND - A FAMILY GOOD-LUCK CHARM ~
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THERE'S A SILLY FAMILY LEGEND ABOUT A PHANTOM WHO - OH - EXCUSE ME - I MEAN - IS IT SILLY?
NO. WHO IS YOUR HUSBAND?
WILSON McCOY 7-29

YOUR HUSBAND IS A DESCENDANT OF CARLYLE THE HUNTER?
HIS GREAT-GREAT GRAND-SON. BUT THAT WAS A HUNDRED YEARS AGO.

EXCUSE ME A MOMENT.

IF THAT WAS A HUNDRED YEARS AGO, HOW CAN THIS BE THE SAME PHANTOM MAN?
GHOST WHO WALKS CAN NEVER DIE!

THE PHANTOM CHRONICLES!
HERE IT IS - 1856 - " FOR SAVING MY LIFE, I DID TODAY PUT ON CARLYLE THE HUNTER OUR GOOD MARK ~~"
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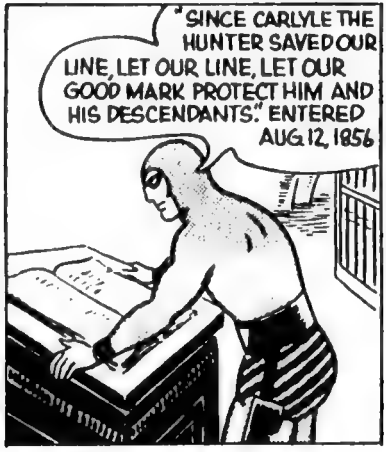

"SINCE CARLYLE THE HUNTER SAVED OUR LINE, LET OUR LINE, LET OUR GOOD MARK PROTECT HIM AND HIS DESCENDANTS." ENTERED AUG. 12, 1856

A CENTURY AGO - MY ANCESTOR SAVED BY CARLYLE - NOW A CARLYLE IN TROUBLE IN THE JUNGLE - HOW STRANGE -

BUT IF HE WAS SAVED BY TONY'S GREAT-GREAT GRANDFATHER HE'D HAVE TO BE A HUNDRED AND FORTY.
SHH - - HE COMES

MEANWHILE, IN THE JUNGLE -
OMGALI - WITH PRISONERS - !
WILSON McCOY 7-31

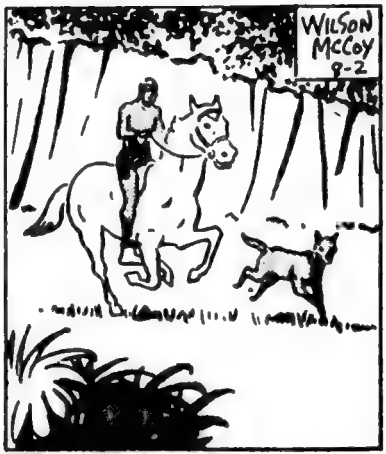
BUT - ER - HOW OLD ARE YOU, IF I MAY ASK ?
MISS CONNIE, NO - NO -
NEWS - NEWS -

REPORT CAME IN - OMGALI SEEN WITH TWO PRISONERS ENTERING VILLAGE -
STRANGE - THEY USUALLY TAKE NO PRISONERS -

THEY'RE STILL ALIVE! THAT'S THE MAIN THING! THERE'S STILL A CHANCE TO SAVE THEM!
HEAR, JULIE - THEY'RE ALIVE!
YES, YES!
WILSON McCOY 8-1

I WOULD HELP ANYONE IN TROUBLE - BUT THAT 'CHARM' YOU WEAR MAKES IT DOUBLY IMPORTANT THAT I HURRY!

YOU'LL BE SAFE AND COMFORTABLE HERE UNTIL I RETURN. DON'T WORRY.


WILSON McCOY 8-2

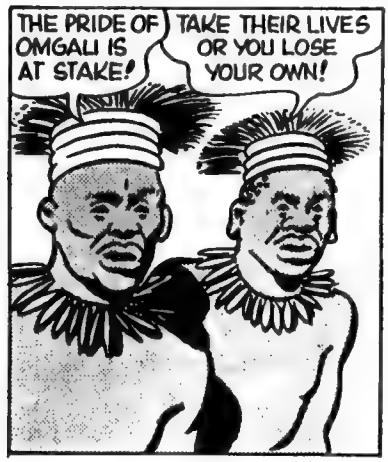
THESE PYGMIES - POISON WEAPONS - ALL THE JUNGLE FEARS THEM.
DON'T WORRY, HE SAID!

IN THE OMGALI VILLAGE--
WE NEVER TAKE PRISONERS. WHY BRING THEM HERE?
WE WERE NOT CERTAIN WHAT TO DO~ WE ARGUED, YOUR HIGHNESS, BECAUSE OF THIS!

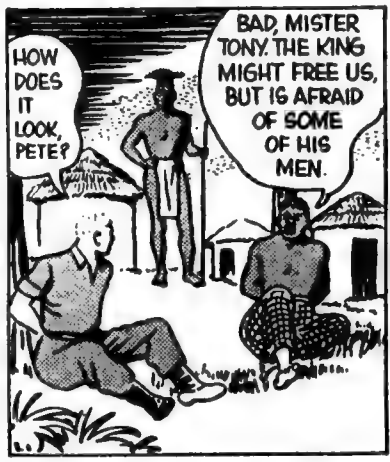
PROTECTED~ BY PHANTOM!

YOU WILL DECIDE WHETHER TO TAKE THEIR LIVES OR NOT! I SAY YES!
DECISIONS~ DECISIONS~
WILSON McCOY 8-4

WHAT IS YOUR DECISION, KING? KILL, OR NOT KILL?
WE ARE NOT AFRAID OF THE PHANTOM! TAKE THEIR LIVES!
DECISIONS~ WHY DIDN'T I REMAIN A MEDICINE MAN?


THE PRIDE OF OMGALI IS AT STAKE!
TAKE THEIR LIVES OR YOU LOSE YOUR OWN!

MUST MEDITATE~ WILL MAKE DECISION (GULP) AT DAWN.
IF I DON'T, THEY'LL GET ME. IF I DO, THE PHANTOM WILL~
WILSON McCOY 8-5


HOW DOES IT LOOK, PETE?
BAD, MISTER TONY. THE KING MIGHT FREE US, BUT IS AFRAID OF SOME OF HIS MEN.

WHAT'S ALL THIS PHANTOM PROTECTION ABOUT? IS THERE REALLY A PHANTOM?
YES.

HE WILL COME~ MAYBE TOO LATE TO SAVE US~ BUT NOT TOO LATE TO REVENGE US!
THAT'S A BIG COMFORT!

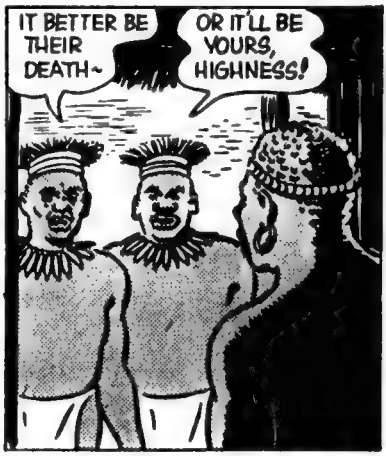
WHATEVER I DO~ I LOSE~
WILSON McCOY 8-6

SHORTLY BEFORE DAWN~AT THE OMGALI VILLAGE~

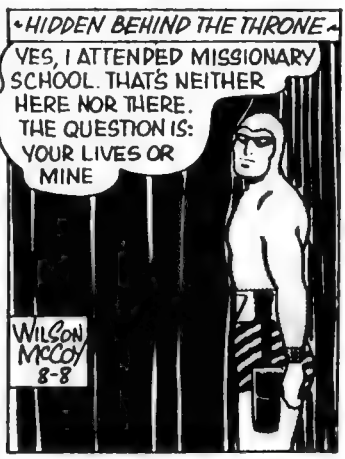
WILSON McCOY 8-7

STILL ALIVE! I WAS AFRAID I'D BE TOO LATE! WHAT'S SAVED THEM THIS LONG?

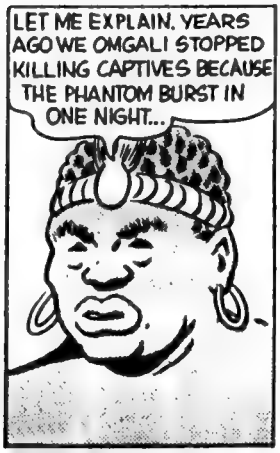
DAWN! HAVE YOU MADE YOUR DECISION, HIGHNESS?
YES, BUT FIRST I TALK TO THE PRISONERS.


IT BETTER BE THEIR DEATH~
OR IT'LL BE YOURS, HIGHNESS!

YOU MUST UNDERSTAND MY PREDICAMENT~
YOU SPEAK ENGLISH!


~HIDDEN BEHIND THE THRONE~
YES, I ATTENDED MISSIONARY SCHOOL. THAT'S NEITHER HERE NOR THERE. THE QUESTION IS: YOUR LIVES OR MINE
WILSON McCOY 8-8

BY WEARING THAT MARK, YOU PUT ME IN A TERRIBLE POSITION~
PUT YOU?


LET ME EXPLAIN. YEARS AGO WE OMGALI STOPPED KILLING CAPTIVES BECAUSE THE PHANTOM BURST IN ONE NIGHT...

"...CAPTURED OUR KING AND OTHER HEADMEN"...
WILSON McCOY 8-9

~BROUGHT THEM BEFORE THE CITY JUDGE~AND THEY WERE ALL HANGED!
HE'S TALKING ABOUT MY GRAND-FATHER.

SO, FOR FIFTY YEARS WE HAD NO HEAD-HUNTING - THEN A CLIQUE STARTED AMONG MY YOUNG OFFICERS DEMANDING WE RETURN...
RETURN TO THE GLORIOUS WAYS OF OUR ANCESTORS!
WE OMGALI ARE HEAD-HUNTERS! ALL FEAR US!
I CAN'T STOP THEM. IF I FREE YOU, THEY'LL TAKE ALL OUR LIVES ~ BUT IF I DON'T FREE YOU-
-THE PHANTOM WILL BE AFTER ME BECAUSE YOU WEAR HIS MARK!
IF YOU CAN'T WIN, WHY NOT GIVE US A CHANCE TO ESCAPE?
WILSON McCOY 8-11
IF IT WEREN'T FOR THOSE THREE RING-LEADERS, I COULD FREE YOU.
BUT YOU FEAR THE PHANTOM, TOO.
WITH LUCK, THE PHANTOM MAY NEVER HEAR OF THIS. BUT IF I TRY TO FREE YOU, I'LL LOSE MY LIFE, TOO~
SO, IT IS WITH MUCH REGRET AND DEEPEST SYMPATHY THAT I MUST TURN YOU OVER TO THEM.
I HAVE HEARD ABOUT IT!
WILSON McCOY 8-12
SO! THE OMGALI ARE HEADHUNTING AGAIN!
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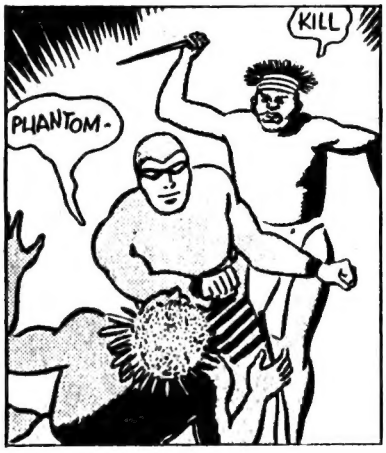
NOT MY FAULT~O GHOST WHO WALKS! BELIEVE ME!
IS THAT HIM?
HIM!
THE PHANTOM HANGED YOUR OLD KING FIFTY YEARS AGO. MUST I HANG YOU TOO?
I HAD NO CHOICE.
-THOSE YOUNG HOTHEADS, THEY'RE THE ONES WHO ARE FORCING ME INTO THIS~
HMM
WILSON McCOY 8-13

IF THOSE THREE CHANGED THEIR MINDS ABOUT HEADHUNTING~
~THEN THE REST WOULD OBEY ME! THEY ALL HATE THE ANCIENT WAYS.

ENOUGH PALAVER! TIME IS UP!
GIVE US THE PRISONERS! COME OUT NOW!

HERE I COME
WILSON McCOY 8-14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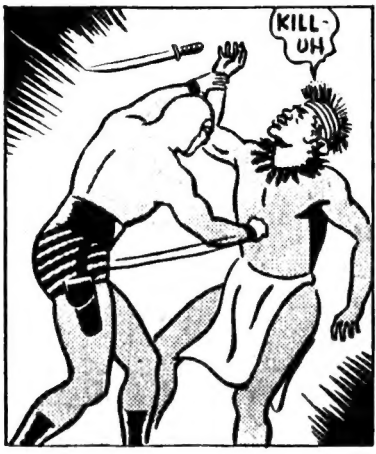
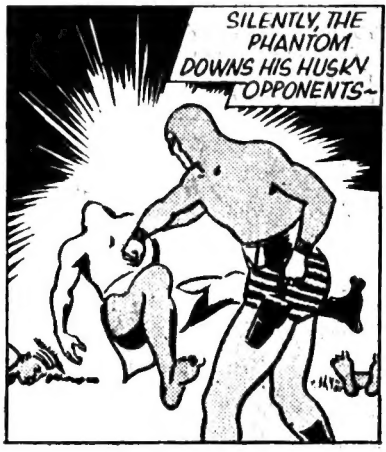
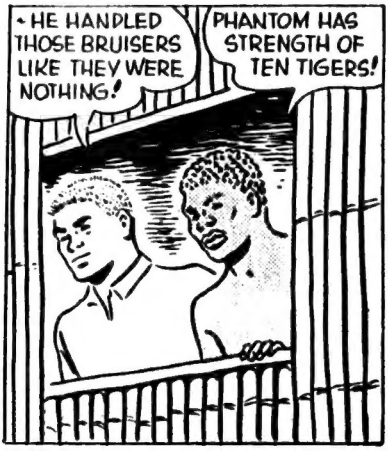
PHANTOM-


KILL-UH

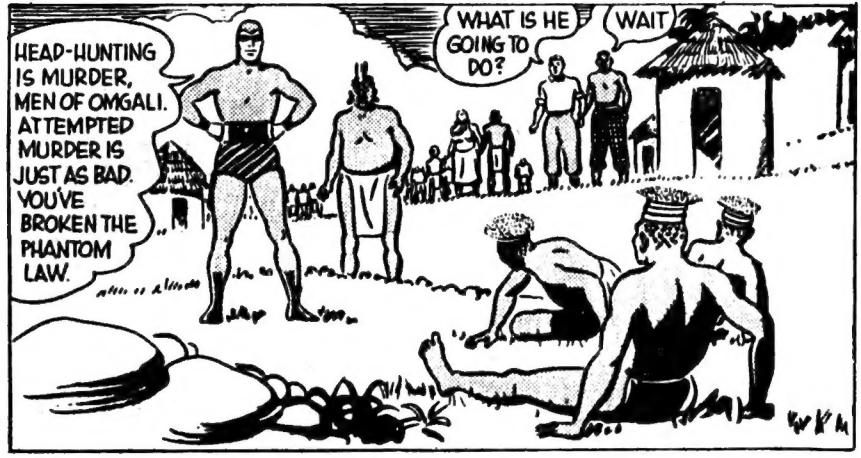
WILSON McCOY 8-15
BE WARY OF THE ANGRY PHANTOM~ "FOR HE MOVES LIKE LIGHTNING AND THE EARTH TREMBLES WITH HIS MIGHT." OLD JUNGLE SAYING


SILENTLY, THE PHANTOM DOWNS HIS HUSKY OPPONENTS~


~HE HANDLED THOSE BRUISERS LIKE THEY WERE NOTHING!
PHANTOM HAS STRENGTH OF TEN TIGERS!

HOW COULD HE HAVE BEEN HERE FIFTY YEARS AGO? HE'S NO OLDER THAN I AM
GHOST WHO WALKS CANNOT DIE

WILSON McCOY 8-16
WHAT WILL HE DO NOW?


HEAD-HUNTING IS MURDER, MEN OF OMGALI. ATTEMPTED MURDER IS JUST AS BAD. YOU'VE BROKEN THE PHANTOM LAW.
WHAT IS HE GOING TO DO?
WAIT

~THEREFORE YOU WILL DIE AT ONCE. ASSEMBLE THE TRIBE.
Y-YES~
THANK GOOD NESS, ONLY THREE

WOW~HE PLAYS ROUGH!
JUNGLE IS ROUGH, PHANTOM IS ROUGHER.
WILSON McCOY 8-18

THE OMGALI STAND STUNNED BY THE VIOLENCE OF THE ANGRY PHANTOM~
LED BY THESE THREE, YOU DARED BRING BACK HEAD-HUNTING TO THE JUNGLE AND BROKE THE PHANTOM LAW.

YOU SAW THIS MARK~ YET DARED TO DEFY IT~DOES ANYONE PLEAD FOR THESE THREE?
THERE IS ONLY SILENCE..

BEG ME TO SPARE THEIR LIVES.
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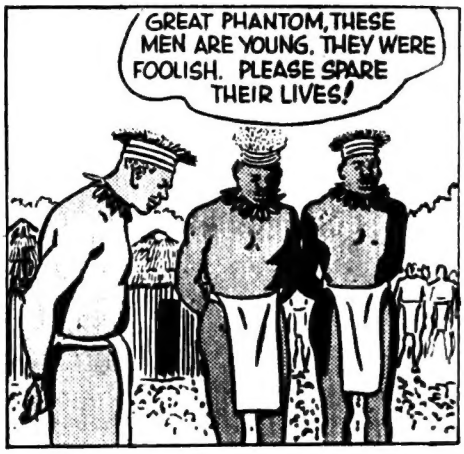
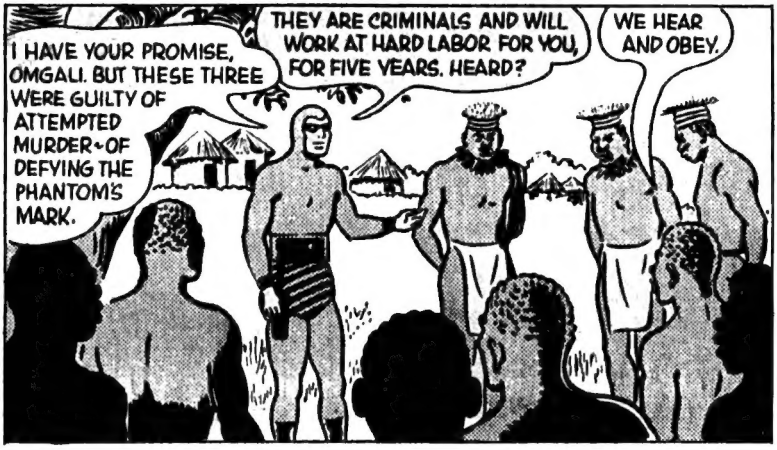
WILSON McCOY 8-19


GREAT PHANTOM, THESE MEN ARE YOUNG. THEY WERE FOOLISH. PLEASE SPARE THEIR LIVES!

NO, THEY MUST DIE!
ASK ME AGAIN.

IF YOU SPARE THEM, NEVER AGAIN WILL WE RETURN TO HEAD-HUNTING.

PEOPLE OF OMGALI~ YOU ALL GIVE ME YOUR SOLEMN OATH?
WILSON McCOY 8-20
WE DO!

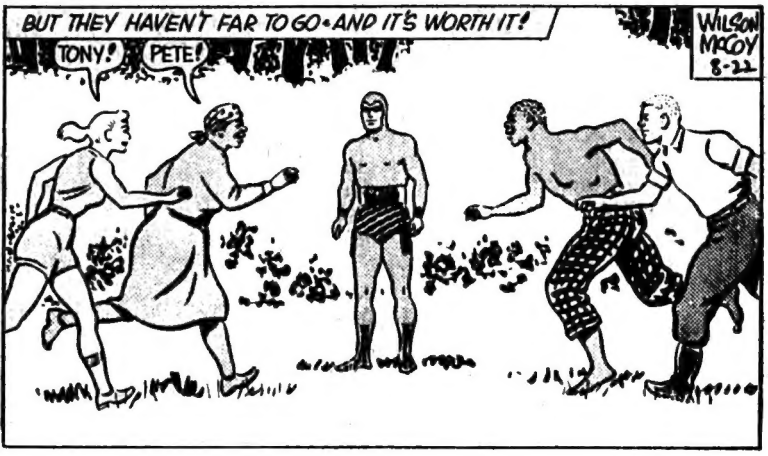

I HAVE YOUR PROMISE, OMGALI. BUT THESE THREE WERE GUILTY OF ATTEMPTED MURDER-OF DEFYING THE PHANTOM'S MARK.
THEY ARE CRIMINALS AND WILL WORK AT HARD LABOR FOR YOU, FOR FIVE YEARS. HEARD?
WE HEAR AND OBEY.

KING, NO MORE PROBLEMS FOR YOU.
PHEW-THANKS- I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU DID IT--

TIME FOR US TO GO.
MIGOSH-HOW DID YOU DO IT?
WILSON McCOY 8-21

PHANTOM SAYS COME NOW.
WHERE IS HE? WHERE ARE OUR HUSBANDS?

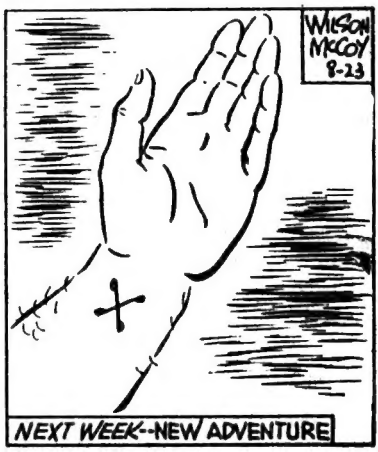
ONCE MORE-THE MAD RACE THRU THE JUNGLE-
UH-I DON'T KNOW IF I CAN TAKE THIS AGAIN.


BUT THEY HAVEN'T FAR TO GO-AND IT'S WORTH IT!
TONY!
PETE!
WILSON McCOY 8-22

GOODBYE-AFTER THIS YOU'D BETTER STAY OUT OF THE JUNGLE. IT CAN BE DANGEROUS-

DARLING, I NEVER THOUGHT I'D SEE YOU AGAIN.
NEITHER DID I -- BELIEVE ME!

JUST WHO IS HE REALLY?
PHANTOM-HARD TO SAY-BUT IT LOOKS LIKE THIS WORKED!


WILSON McCOY 8-23
NEXT WEEK--NEW ADVENTURE